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# Hartford Schools Expand Summer School

# Registration Deadline is May 21

Like many school systems across the country, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused a severe disruption in learning in Hartford Public Schools. Adapting to online learning and then in-person classes taught with major COVID-induced restrictions took away from actual learning time. And now many city students have fallen behind in their studies.

To help bring these students up to speed, Hartford Public Schools (HPS) is launching an expanded summer school program that will serve up to 10,000 students from kindergarten to high school.

HPS 2021 Summer School will include both academic learning such as reading, writing and math as well as "enrichment" programs which will include activities in art, music and sports.

The registration deadline for most programs is next **Friday**, **May 21**. To register, go to: https://hartfordschools.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_aUZP5eSXaYmqueq. If you have any questions, please call the Hartford Public Schools Welcome Center at (860) 695-8400.

There will be five summer programs for students at various grade levels.

#### K-5 Early Start Program

July 6 - 30, Monday through Friday, 8:15 am - 4 pm. For students entering grades K-5. Academics in the morning; enrichment programs in the afternoon. Sites: Betances Early Reading Lab, Breakthrough N, Breakthrough S, Burns School (t/b/d), Dwight Bellizzi, Environmental Sciences, ELAMS, Global, Kennelly, Kinsella, MDFox, Montessori @Batchelder, Montessori @Fisher, Naylor, Parkville, Rawson, Sanchez, SAND, STEM @Annie Fisher, Noah Webster, West Middle, and Wish Schools

#### Middle School Program

July 6-30, Monday through Friday, 8:15 am - 4 pm. For students entering grades 6 -8. Academics in the morning; enrichment programs in the afternoon. Sites: Burr Middle School, McDonough Middle School, Milner Middle School, and MLK

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# Yard Goats Return!

Hartford Yard Goats' shortstop Taylor Snyder makes contact with the ball in the first inning of the team's home opener against the Portland Sea Dogs Tuesday night at Dunkin Donuts Stadium. It was the team's first home game since August 2020. The Yard Goats went on to win the game 8-4. Due to continuing COVID-19 restrictions, seating capacity was limited to 50 percent. Starting May 19, seating capacity at the stadium will return to 100 percent. (Hart photo)

# Hartford...Once Upon a Time



The photo above shows Hartford's riverfront in March, 1937. The Connecticut River can be seen in the distance at left. The date of the picture has a special meaning, since the year before it was taken, the river had surged over its banks in what remains the worst flood in Hartford history. The year after it was taken, the second worst flood in the city's history occurred, following the great 1938 Hurricane. But here the river looks relatively peaceful and the Colt Dome can be dimly seen in the distance. The wide road in the center of the photo is Connecticut Boulevard, which was built along the river as part of the Bulkeley Bridge project. It was removed when I-91 was built. The entrance to the bridge from Morgan Street (foreground) is at left in the photo. The Bulkeley Bridge opened in 1908 and is one of the oldest bridges in the nation's interstate highway system. It carries close to 150,000 cars a day on average. (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center at the Hartford Public Library)

## **NEWS BRIEFS**

# Spring Fest at Barbour Library Today

Hartford Public Library's Barbour Branch 260 Barbour Street, will host a Spring Festival Thursday, May 13, from 3-4 pm. Learn butterfly container garden ideas and plant flower seeds in a pot to take home to attract the butterflies. There will also be free books and craft activity for kids. Learn how to use herbs for health from an herbalist. Free groceries from Foodshare.

#### **MARG Meets Tonight**

The Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, May 13, at 6 pm in the lower level of Saint Augustine Church, 10 Campfield Avenue, Hartford. Brian Matthews from the City of Hartford Housing Department will be the main speaker. Those attending the meeting must wear masks and practice social distancing. For more information, call Hyacinth Yennie at 860-296-5543.

#### Really Really Free Market Saturday

The Free Center, 460 New Britain Avenue (former Goodwin Library), Hartford, will host the "Really, Really Free Market" on Saturday, May 15, from 4 PM – 7 PM (rain date: May 16). The market is a community event where the basic idea is "Give What You Have, Take What You Need." Masks will be required for safety, and will be provided if needed. Want to volunteer or help organize? Have questions? Email to htfdrrfm@gmail.com.

#### "Save Local News" Rally this Saturday

Employees of the Hartford Courant will join employees of Tribune Publishing nation-wide for a rally to "Save Local News" this Saturday, May 15, beginning at 1 pm. The rally will be held at the corner of Capitol Avenue and Flower Street. The Courant is owned by Tribune Publishing, which operates several newspapers across the country. On May 21, Tribune Publishing shareholders will vote on whether to approve a sale of the com-

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# **Old Park Library to Close May 21**

#### New Park Library @ The Lyric to Open this Summer

cease operations at its current location on Friday, May 21 after 46 years of service to the Frog Hollow neigh-

borhood, paving the way for the opening of a new library just down the

The new building, currently under construction at the corner of Park and Broad streets, will be open to the public mid to late summer. The new library, now known as the Park Street Library @ the Lyric, will be approxi-

mately 13,000 square-feet and two-stories high. It will be the largest of Hartford Public Library's six community libraries.

"This library has a long and rich history in Hartford.

Hartford Public Library's Park Library branch will It has served several generations of neighborhood residents. While this is the end of a chapter in our cozy current home, the new Park Street Library @ the Lyric will

> allow us to help the community in ways they could've only dreamed of in the late 1920s," said HPL President and CEO Bridget Ouinn.

> The Park Branch was established in May 1928 in a small rented store at 876 Park Street. In September 1939, it moved to 815 Broad Street. In August 1975, it was

moved again to its present location at 744 Park Street, which is a rented facility. The lease on the location ends on May 31. Until the new location opens, Frog Hollow

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## State of CT vs. City of Hartford

Although the city of Hartford counts the Governor among its (parttime) residents, along with the Speaker of the House, Secretary of the State and the State Treasurer, the city continues to get the short end of the stick from the state bureaucracy.

The proof is in the pudding. In Monday's Hartford Courant, below the fold on the Connecticut page,

Hartford certainly needs help right now. We have lost two hotels already with probably more to come. Many restaurants have closed forever. Big events, like the Greater Hartford Festival of Jazz and Yard Goat games, are essential to reviving the city's hospitality industry but seem to be missing from the state's new tourism campaign.

All kinds of toney towns are slated to represented in the [tourism] campaign, Ridgefield, Saybrooke, etc. and, of course, what is legally a foriegn country (i.e. Foxwoods). But, if you look for anything representing the state's capital city – no luck.

# Money for Nothing?

## Or social justice for a rigged economy?

**BY TOM SWARR** 

The Hartford City Council created a task force to develop a Universal Basic Income (UBI) pilot program. UBI is a monthly cash grant to all members of a community, with no strings attached, and of a sufficient amount to enable a life free from economic insecurity. Proponents argue UBI would help people escape poverty by improving access to education and job training resources, provide a buffer during economic downturns, and improve health through reduced stress and anxiety. UBI has bipartisan support. Those on the left generally argue in terms of

social justice – addressing income inequality, employment uncertainties in a gig- economy, and institutional racism. Those on the right argue in terms of individual freedom of choice and taming a paternalistic and intrusive government bureaucracy that decides which among the poor deserve help.

Opponents argue UBI is simply too expensive, discourages work and encourages laziness, and finally, will not reduce the welfare state but simply add another layer of bureaucracy. The work argument is

weakest. Studies of previous UBI programs have shown no significant effect on participation in labor markets. In some cases, employment increased. In cases where employment decreased, participants chose to devote more time to other valued activities, such as care-giving or volunteerism. (The fact that these activities are not counted in our GDP calculations, or that it may be mostly women moving into care-giving are separate issues.) Participants were also able to enroll in internships, job training and coursework to improve their job prospects.

Cost is an issue. There is consensus that a basic income for individual financial security would be ~\$1,000 a month. A national UBI would thus run nearly \$4 trillion a year. For this reason, few UBI experiments are universal and unconditional. The Stockton Economic Empowerment Demonstration (SEED) targeted residents at least 18 years old and living in a neighborhood with income at or below the city's median income. Some 125 residents received \$500 a month

for 24 months. It is a challenge to design UBI to fit with the existing safety net programs and help participants avoid the benefit cliffs of welfare programs that reduce or eliminate benefits when a person achieves increased income. There is no consensus on how much of the traditional safety net can or should be replaced by UBI.

Hartford plans to target single, working parents. A fundamental goal is to help the education attainment and health of their children and break the poverty cycle. But what about couples impacted by unemployment, or a grandparent raising kids? Can the task force select

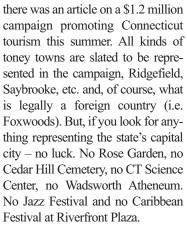
> participants that will not be impacted by benefit cliffs? How much income will be provided and for how long? The task force obviously faces difficult choices in designing an affordable program. UBI may not eliminate poverty, but it can help the most vulnerable.

> The Stockton experiment also offers insight on how we might fund a national UBI program. Chris Hughes provided much of the funding for SEED from the \$500 million he accumulated

from his Facebook holdings. He admits he achieved mega-wealth not because of his special skills, but simply from being in the right place at the right time. He just happened to room with Mark Zuckerberg at Harvard. Because he could talk and write, he handled early PR and moved on to manage communication and marketing and cashed in when Facebook went public. Taxing these kinds of windfall bonanzas and inherited wealth can address social justice concerns with no significant impact on incentives for capital investment and/ or innovation.

Why is it "Socialism" to give cash so a child born to a poor family has a better chance of being in the right place at the right time, but "Capitalism" to give exemptions to ensure a child born to a wealthy family escapes any taxes on capital gains earned by previous genera-

Image credit - https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2018/07/09/who-really-stands-to-win-from-universal-basic-income



Do most of the cute joints that will be included in this campaign really need the help? Should the State of CT be doling out dollars to a casino that already has a huge marketing budget?

And what city is best equipped for visitors in terms of hotels, restaurants, museums, performance venues, etc? Hartford, of course.

And the hospitality industry in

Another example of the apparently built-in animus against the Hartford is the constant expansion of social service facilities and state-backed low-income housing in the city.

Yes, the need for both is great. But Hartford has shouldered too much of the burden for too long. For example, almost everyone in the Asylum Hill neighborhood (residents, churches, businesses, community organization) felt that the old Hartford Conservatory buildings should be converted into market-rate housing. But the state – once again – backed another low-income housing project.

It seems that all the State's internal efforts to help the economically disadvantage just jams more of them into our cities, which are already doing their part.

Hartford will always be a portal for newcomers. Let it happen naturally without government fiat.



## **Honoring Hispanic Women**

For eight years, Yanina Cuentas organized a tribute to Hispanic women in Connecticut who have gone above and beyond in serving the community. Last year's event had to be canceled due to the pandemic, so Yanina held the 9th and 10th tributes together last night at the new Flaming Llama Restaurant on Franklin Avenue on Thursday, May 6. Cuentas is shown above at left, with honoree Norah DeLeon Clark (third from left), who owns DeLeon Funeral Home on Main Street in Hartford along with her husband, Bobby Clark (second from left). The award was presented by Ada Rios (right). Other honorees included. Milagros Acosta, Elena Alegre, Milagros Bustamante, Celia Caicedo, Patricia DeSena, Gilma Galdámez, Rosalía German, Deana Miguelina Howell, Isis Irizarry, Grecia Limo, Doris Maldonado, Bianca Noroñas, Sofía Segura and Mónica María Welsh. Entertainment was provided by Ricardo "El Solista" Parades and Carlos Javier Hurtado. Supporters of the event included El Consulado General de Peru en Hartford, CT, Juniper Homecare, Identidad Latina, El Show de Analeh, Mori's Grocery, Momentos by Maria Cintron, Ada Rios, Paloma Bayona, Mayra Alamo-Farmasi Products, Elizabeth Cuentas, Paula Araujo and Marlyn Miranda. (Hart photo)

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#### **Financial Aid for Internet Access**

Dear Neighbor,

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has initiated a new program called the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) to help households struggling to pay for internet service during the pandemic. This new benefit will help connect eligible households to jobs, critical healthcare services, and virtual classrooms.

#### What is EBB?

The EBB will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers.

This benefit is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

#### Who is Eligible?

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Qualify for the Lifeline program (fcc.gov/lifeline-consumers)
- Receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision, or did so in the 2019-2020 school year
- Receive a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year
- Experience a substantial loss of income since February 29, 2020 and the household had a total income in 2020 below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers
- Meet the eligibility criteria for a participating providers' existing lowincome or COVID-19 program

#### How to Sign-up:

As of this Wednesday, May 12, eligible households will be able to enroll in the program to receive a monthly discount off the cost of broadband service from an approved provider. Eligible households can enroll online, or through their current approved provider. To apply and to learn more, go to https://getemergencybroadband.org/how-to-apply/.

#### Learn More & Apply

Please also check out the Broadband Benefit Consumer FAQ for more information about the benefit (fcc.gov/consumer-faq-emergency-broadband-benefit).

And as always, you can contact me about any concerns or issues by calling 1-800-842-8267 or emailing me at Brandon.McGee@cga.ct.gov. To receive legislative updates please like my Official Facebook Page.

Sincerely,

Brandon McGee, State Representative, 5th District

# Letters to the Editor

#### **Losing Sense of Community?**

What an interesting article by Anne Goshdigian regarding the protest at the State Capitol (*Hartford News*, April 29, 2021, page 1). It raised some questions in my mind. Not all were Connecticut residents I learned. What are we teaching white suburban residents who made up probably most of the group? They do not seem to me to have a great sense of community. As a white city resident, I wonder what their definition of "free" is. Have they ever traveled or lived in a communist country? I have attended church and prayed all my life and continue to do so. No one has kept me from praying under the Connecticut Constitution. What does "USA! USA!" mean to them? Is it every person for her or his own self? The state and the country are communities of people, in my opinion. Where is the greater good in their estimation?

As a person who does not particularly like vaccines or any chemicals in my body, I overcame my initial reluctance to get my two shots. I did it for others, not for myself. I thought about the Rev Mr.Jonathan Edwards who led the Great Awakening in New England way back when. He was among the first to get vaccinated for smallpox, which was running rampant at the time. Perhaps one day we will learn the rules of nature and follow them so that we will be free from pandemics. We have a lot to learn, and I am grateful to be part of the Connecticut community where I plan to stay.

Dorothy Lovett, Hartford, CT



## **Los Amigos Softball Opens 2021 Season**

On Sunday, May 2, Los Amigos Softball League kicked off their 2021 season in Colt Park. Last year's season was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 18 teams play in the league every Sunday through to the fall. The Mets (above) scored the first "victory" of the season by winning the best uniform contest. (Hart photo)

# FOR ART'S SAKE

### Black & white and everyone in-between: The Wadsworth Atheneum has universal appeal

COMMENTARY BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

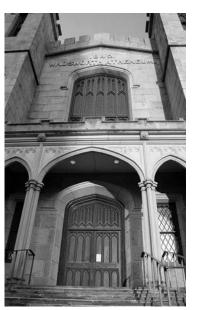
"Wadsworth Atheneum parts ways with its leader amid an effort to shed its stodgy image and connect with Black and Latinx communities in Hartford."

"It kind of looks like a medieval castle," he said. "There is a metaphorical moat there that people may perceive as a barrier to having entrée and access to the museum. They need to fill in the moat. People need to feel comfortable with their museum. That comes with programming, connecting with Latinx and African American communities."

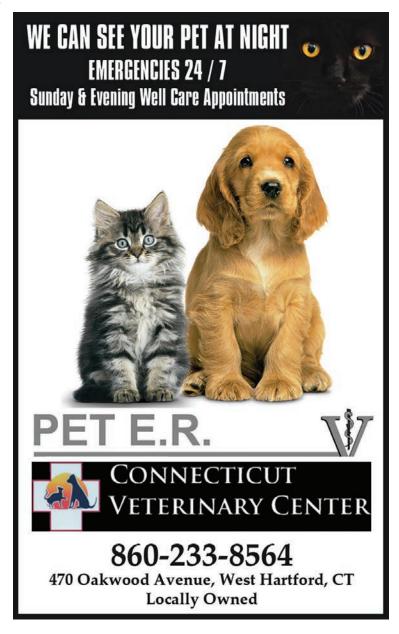
I'm offended. I'm offended by the recent story in the *Hartford Courant* (quotes above). And if I weren't white but Black or Latinx instead, I'd be even more offended. In fact, I'd be livid.

We're talking about art herepaintings, photographs, sculptures—at the oldest public art museum in the United States. Art is not for any one race. Like music, like literature, the creators and the subjects of those works hold an appeal that crosses color lines. It's about appreciation, and to propose that the Atheneum is a turnoff for people of color is insulting to those very people, making the assumption that they're incapable of appreciating talent unless it's a talent specific to their own race. Don't get me wrong. I do believe that an art museum should strive to maintain collections that showcase diversity when they are worthy of display, and the same goes for works by white artists. I've always enjoyed listening to music that's composed or performed by non-whites. The same goes for books whose authors or characters don't look like me. And I believe people of color feel the same way. A great photograph, song, or novel is great no matter who is responsible for it. The arts lively and visual—are for everyone.

As for the comment regarding the appearance of the Wadsworth building itself, give me a break! A "metaphorical moat"? What rub-



bish! Am I to believe that anyone has ever been deterred from entering the museum because they were reluctant to go inside what looks like a "medieval castle"? Are they implying that the intellect of "minorities" is so deficient that they would fear and avoid classic architecture? That's like some cringeworthy 1930s movie stereotype of a cowardly Black character who refuses to enter the "haunted" house with the hero, and runs away instead. The Wadsworth Atheneum must of course continue to mount special exhibits celebrating a variety of cultures, as they have done for many years. But leave one of Hartford's gems alone. It ain't broke and doesn't need fixing.



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#### **Block Party Saturdays this Month**

The City of Hartford Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation is halfway through its series of four Block Parties this month. Each Block Party features arts & crafts, games, inflatables, raffles, food, community partners and giveaways. Shown above is Malik Gomez getting ready to toss up a shot at the Willie Ware Recreation Center on May 1. Below is Troy McKoy, Jr. throwing a horseshoe at the Goodwin Park Block Party on May 8. This Saturday, May 15, the Block Party will be held at Keney Park Playground, 383 Edgewood Steet from 12 - 2 pm. The final Block Party will be held from 12-2 pm on Saturday, May 22, at the Grand Re-Opening of Metzner Rec. Center & Early Learning Center, 680 Franklin Avenue. (Hart photos)



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# **GOODWIN PARK:**

## They Don't Call It "Goody" for Nothing!

BY DONNA SWARR

Although, most of Goodwin Park is made up of the golf course, there's ample room for other activities. Soccer, baseball, and softball teams are there every week. The playscape, basketball courts, splash pad, tennis/soccer courts, and pool attract a lot of people as well. And the loop around the park is extremely popular with joggers and walkers. Dogs love it as well. The Friends of Goodwin Park do a lovely job with attractive plantings, they organize clean ups, and do a great job advocating for the park. Something new: They've made a couple of nice mini-nature walks; keep your eye on the interior road for markings. One is near the restored meadow and another one is over near Jordan Lane. Two years ago the tennis courts were refurbished. They made combination courts—tennis with soccer. These small courts encourage soccer players to improve their control over the ball. It also means that you don't have to go chase the ball when practicing with youth.

Last week I talked about the Keney Park Golf Course, and how you can enjoy golfing without doing rounds. Not that I am trying to coerce someone from doing so, but what if you haven't played in a while, don't want to worry about slowing down other players, or you get tired of looking for your ball in



A tranquil evening on Goodwin Park Pond. The park, located on the Hartford-Wethersfield town line, is popular with walkers, anglers and those who want to enjoy the beauty of nature as well as those who partake in more strenuous activities, such as basketball, softball/baseball and swimming. (Hart photo)

the woods? The putting green and driving range are fabulous places to hone your skills. You just need to get a bucket of balls. If you really want to get back in the game, maybe you'd like a few lessons. Call the club house at 860-543-8518. Just like at Keney, there will be youth summer camps again this year. Stay tuned for more information. There are two places to enjoy eating outdoors. The Hanger has great food, and a very nice covered pavilion as well as patio tables. The area around the driving range is ideal for a picnic, too. There is a level between the parking lot and the driving range where you can set

up chairs and just enjoy the view! It's shady and usually there is a very nice breeze.

Lastly, the largest pond (visible from the clubhouse) was dredged last year as it had started to fill in with the grasses and sediment. They will be installing a "dredge sled" to help keep the water free of sediment so that water can be pumped to irrigate the greens. This is going to save Hartford a lot of money and make the golf course that much more profitable. Everyone will benefit.

If you haven't been to Goodwin Park in a while, stop by for a walk and see what's happening for yourself!

# Walk-up, No Appointment Vaccine Clinics

#### Monday

**Parker Memorial Community Center,** 2621 Main Street, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM; **Convention Center,** 100 Columbus Boulevard, 9 AM – 4 PM; **Xfinity Theatre,** 61 Savitt Way, 9 AM – 4 PM

#### **Tuesday**

**Parker Memorial Community Center,** 2621 Main Street, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM; **Convention Center,** 100 Columbus Boulevard, 11:30 AM – 6:30 PM; **Xfinity Theatre,** 61 Savitt Way, 11:30 AM – 6:30 PM

#### Wednesday

**Parker Memorial Community Center,** 2621 Main Street, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM; **Convention Center,** 100 Columbus Boulevard, 11:30 AM – 6:30 PM; **Xfinity Theatre,** 61 Savitt Way, 11:30 AM – 6:30 PM

#### **Thursday**

Parker Memorial Community Center, 2621 Main

Street, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM; Convention Center, 100 Columbus Boulevard, 9 AM – 4 PM; Xfinity Theatre, 61 Savitt Way, 9 AM – 4 PM

#### Friday

**Parker Memorial Community Center,** 2621 Main Street, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM; **Convention Center,** 100 Columbus Boulevard, 9 AM – 4 PM; **Xfinity Theatre,** 61 Savitt Way, 9 AM – 4 PM

#### **Saturday**

**Convention Center,** 100 Columbus Boulevard, 9 AM – 4 PM; **Xfinity Theatre,** 61 Savitt Way, 9 AM – 4 PM

#### Sunday

**Convention Center,** 100 Columbus Boulevard, 9 AM – 4 PM; **Xfinity Theatre,** 61 Savitt Way, 9 AM – 4 PM

Hartford residents who require transportation to a vaccine site should call 311 or (860) 757-9311.

#### **Summer School**

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Middle School

#### **Extended School Year**

For students in the iGoal and STEP (Student Transition Education Pathways) programs (PreK-12). July 6 – July 30 (iGoal students), June 28 – July 23 STEP students. Monday through Friday, 8:15 am - 4 pm. K-5 Early Start sites: Breakthrough N, Burns, ELAMS, Kennelly, MD Fox, Parkville, Rawson, and West Middle Schools. Middle School Program sites: Milner Middle School, and MLK Middle School; also 2 HS Transition Program sites, and 2 credit recovery program sites.

#### **High School Transition**

July 6 - 30, Monday through Friday, 7:30 am - 2:30 pm. For students entering grade 9. Classes in English Language Arts, Algebra, Social-Emotional Learning, College and Career Prep. Sites: Hartford Public High School, Bulkeley-South Campus, and Weaver High School, plus the Friday Field Trip Program.

Credit Recovery (Please note the deadline for the Credit Recovery program is May 14, NOT May 21 as it is for other programs)

June 29 - July 29, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 am -12:45pm. For students in grades 9 - 12. Classes in English Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, PE, Health, Art and Spanish. Sites: Hartford Public High School, Weaver High School, Sport & Medical Sciences Academy (Bulkeley), Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy. (Summer Employment opportunities and Internships will be available through Credit Recovery)

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# GET FIT ON THE RIVER

Riverfront Recapture Offers Four Fitness Programs this Summer

After a relatively quiet year due to the pandemic, Riverfront Recapture is swinging back into action this summer. The organization will be offering four weekly fitness programs at Mortensen Riverfront Plaza in Downtown Hartford starting next month and running through the end of August. All classes are free, but if you would like to support Riverfront's fitness program, the suggested donation is \$5. Proceeds will be used to help Riverfront to continue to offer free classes like these. Donate at the class, on venmo @riverfrontrecapture, or https://riverfront.org/donate/



#### RiverBarre 6-7 pm, every Monday, June 7 - August 30, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza

Barre is a total-body-toning workout based on a combination of ballet movement, yoga alignment and Pilates core work. Free class taught by instructors from Hartford Sweat. Bring water and a yoga mat, and wear sneakers. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of class to check-in.

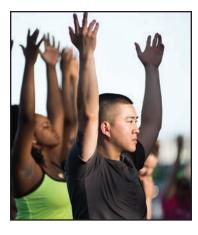


#### WIP Into Shape 6-7 pm every Tuesday, June 1 – August 31, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza

Join WIP Fitness every Tuesday night on the plaza for free, motivating workouts. Their instructors will show you how to build muscle in this anything but traditional boot-camp style class using bands, body weight, and the plaza itself. This class is accessible to all levels. Bring water (definitely) and a yoga mat (optional). Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of class to check-in.

#### Ranger Intern Opportunity

Coltsville NHP is hiring a Student Conservation Association Intern for its Coltsville team to help with community outreach, digital media, interpretation, events, and building awareness of the new park. For more information, go to, https://www.nps.gov/colt/and click on "Get Involved" for more information.



#### Yoga Flow on the River 6-7 pm every Wednesday, June 2 – August 25, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza

Free yoga classes taught by instructors from Hartford Sweat. The classes are taught in a Vinyasa style flow of yoga postures suitable for any level of yoga experience. Held in the groves of trees on the plaza's upper level. Please bring water and a yoga mat, and arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of class to check-in.



#### RiverZumba 6-7 pm every Thursday, June 3 – August 26, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza

Dance, dance, dance the day away in this one hour heart-pumping workout led by instructors from Hartford Sweat. This class will be held on the stage at lower Mortensen Riverfront Plaza. Please wear sneakers and bring water. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of class to check-in.



## Solidarity with Colombia

Connecticut's Colombian-American community came together on the steps of Hartford City Hall on Saturday, May 8, to show their support for the massive protests in their home country against the government of President Ivan Duque. The protests in Colombia began April 28 and were initially sparked by a proposed tax reform bill that many Colombian felt would increase the number of those living in poverty in the country. It is estimated that over 40% of Colombians are currently living below the poverty line and the COVID-19 pandemic has devastated the country's economy. Although Duque withdrew the proposed tax plan on May 3, the protests have continued as a show of anger and frustration over the country's overall economic woes and police brutality. 26 people have been killed in the disturbances and over 900 have been injured, according to ABC News. (Hart photo)



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#### 2021 Pratt Street Patio Music Series Starts June 3

Free Live Music in Downtown Hartford on Thursday and Friday Evenings, and Saturday Afternoons

Pratt Street in Downtown Hartford will premiere its fourth annual weekly live music series on Thursday, June 3 at 6 p.m. The Pratt Street Patio Music Series' local, original performances will be presented at no charge through mid-October every Thursday and Friday evening from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday afternoons from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., weather permitting\*. The block-long Pratt Street, which lies between Trumbull and Main Streets, is closed to vehicles to encourage people to come Downtown and enjoy nearby restaurants and shops.

The Pratt Street Patio Music series is hosted by Hartford.com and the Hartford Business Improvement District (HBID) and is made possible by a grant from the Richard P. Garmany Fund. In 2020, the series was one of the first in Connecticut to offer live musical performances in a safe, socially distanced environment. In its first three consecutive years, the series hosted over 100 musical acts. This year, it will expand from two days per week to three days per week.

"We are very excited to bring back live music in a safe setting to the City of Hartford," says Chip McCabe, the Hartford Business Improvement District's Director of Placemaking & Events. "This series has consistently showcased artists

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The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated April 27, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Carmen Y. Zayas Clerk

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Hartford's own Orice Jenkins plays Pratt Street in the Summer of 2020. Jenkins will return for another concert on Pratt this year. (Hart photo)

from all over the state and we take a lot of pride in how eclectic the music has been. We are very grateful to have a beautiful space like Pratt Street that we can activate with local, original music."

The full line-up and schedule of musicians for the 2021 season will be announced in the coming weeks through Hartford.com and its various social media channels. Some of the confirmed artists include (in alphabetical order): Hartford hiphop artist Anne:Gogh; Hartford-based singer-songwriter Desiree Camille; Award-winning singer-

songwriter Canyon; Meriden-based singer/songwriter Frank Critelli; New Haven alt country artist Stefanie Clark Harris; Hartford soul/jazz/R&B artist Orice Jenkins; Hartford hip hop artist Tang Sauce; and Hip-hop artist Sketch tha Cataclysm.

For any questions or more information, please contact HBID Director of Placemaking & Events Chip McCabe at cmccabe@hartfordbid.com or 860-770-0788.

\*In case of rain, a performance will be rescheduled to a later date.

# **HSO's Spring Splash to Bring Music** to the Atheneum and Riverfront

This Spring, the Hartford Symphony Orchestra (HSO) will host "Spring Splash," a series of hour-long chamber music concerts to be performed in and around Hartford during May and June.

The first concert will be outdoors at the Wadsworth Atheneum, 600 Main Street, Downtown Hartford, on Thursday, May 20 (rain date: Friday, May 21). The HSO Jazz Quartet (Edward R. Rozie, Jr., bass; Eugene Bozzi, drums; Walter Gwardyak, piano; and John Mastroianni, saxophone) will play from 12 - 1 pm. This concert is free, but registration is required. Register at https://hartfordsymphony.org/concerts/spring-splashwadsworth-atheneum-outdoors/.



#### CT Al-Anon Courage to Change Meeting

Strength and Hope for Friends and Families of Alcoholics – Meetings are available almost everyday.

A full list of Zoom accessible meetings can be found at www.ctalanon.org Please look at Meetings by Town for the most updated information

For more meeting times and information about Al-Anon visit www.alanon.org or call 1-888-8ALANON (1-888-825-2666)

Three more Spring Splash concerts will be held at Riverfront Recapture parks.

#### Wednesday, May 26, 12-1 pm; Mortensen Riverfront Plaza, Downtown Hartford

Free lunchtime performance from the Hartford Symphony Orchestra's Scott McIntosh (trumpet), John Charles Thomas, (trumpet), Barbara Hill (horn), Brian Diehl (trombone) and Stephen Perry (tuba). This concert is free, but registration is required. Register at http://bit.ly/hsobrassquintet

#### Wednesday, June 2, 12-1 pm; Great River Park, East Hartford

Pack a lunch and head across the river to say cello, from the other side, during this free lunchtime concert from the Hartford Symphony Orchestra's A Piacere Quartet featuring Jaroslaw Lis (violin), Deborah Tyler (violin), Patricia Daly Vance (viola) and Jia Cao (cello). This concert is free, but registration is required. Register at http://bit.ly/hsoapiacere

# Wednesday, June 9, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Riverside Park, Hartford

Listen to a performance from the Hartford Symphony Orchestra's Wind Quintet, featuring Barbara Hopkins (flute), Marilyn Krentzman (oboe), Curt Blood (clarinet), Yeh-Chi Wang (bassoon) and Barbara Hill (horn). This concert is free, but registration is required. Register at http://bit.ly/hsowindquartet.

#### **Park Library**

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residents are encouraged to use the services at the Downtown or Dwight libraries.

"Since 1975, the Park Street branch has served the community of Frog Hollow out of a 2,000 sq. ft. leased space. We are excited to soon start a new chapter with the Park St. Library @ the Lyric and provide a tion of Spanish language materials in the system. In an effort to serve the diverse Frog Hollow neighborhood, HPL's librarians are working to curate a special selection of books, creating an almost entirely new collection. The library will also preserve books that are relevant to the history of the neighborhood. The new Park St. Library @ the Lyric will feature a brand new



Although small in size and increasingly antiquated, the Park Library at 744 Park Street has been a center of the Frog Hollow community since it opened in 1975 and has hosted numerous events promoting Puerto Rican culture, such as this demonstration of Bomba dancing back in September 2014. (Hartford News file photo)

library space this community has waited so long for," said Marie Jarry, director of public services.

Graciela Rivera, Park Library manager, is working alongside her team to pack up the small library, removing outdated books from the collection. Not much of the furniture will be packed up because the new location is outfitted with brand new furnishings. The materials will be transported to the Downtown Library and stored in the library's subbasement in the short term. Rivera is working to help develop a larger collection to fill the new Park Library.

"As a kid who grew up in the Frog Hollow neighborhood, I spent a lot of hours at the Park Library, doing homework, reading, and hanging out. Because of this experience, I want to give back by helping to create a new space that is welcoming and warm, where people can feel comfortable learning and exploring," Rivera said. "We want to partner with the community – the businesses and the people – so they always know that the Park Street Library is theirs."

The Park Street Library has been known for having the largest collec-

opening day collection of approximately 1,500 books and 150 DVDs for all ages too.

"Frog Hollow has families from Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, and Puerto Rico, just to name a few. We plan to create a collection that reflects that diversity," Quinn said.

For decades activists and neighborhood groups have advocated for an expanded library in the neighborhood. The first floor will have a 3,000 square foot reading room, a separate 1,200 square foot children's room, a small café, and an enclosed outdoor patio area for performances and events. The second floor will feature a learning lab, conference room, and a nearly 2,000 square foot community room able to accommodate up to 100 people for meetings, lectures, performances, and other events.

Exposed wood will give the interior of the new library a warm, welcoming feel. And in a tip-of-the-hat to the history of the site, large photographs of the hand-painted murals adorning the front of the Lyric Theater will hang inside.

For more information about the new Park Library, visit parklibrary.hplct.org.

# Mother's Day Message







My name is Carmen Milagros Saez. I want to share a Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, especially my mommy Carmen Mita Saez and a special congratulations to my daughter Melanie Elizabeth Burns for graduating from Uconn on Mother's Day, and my son Joshua Miguel Claudio graduating from  $\Lambda$ rts High  $\Lambda$ cademy this Father's Day weekend I'm a proud mother of five and blessed, sending my love to all who are sharing wonderful memories this year.

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pany, including the Courant, to Alden Global Capital, a hedge fund nicknamed "the destroyer of newspa-

#### **Volunteers Needed** for North End Clean-up Saturday

Saving Our Children's Souls (SOCS) will hold a clean-up of Hartford's North End this Saturday, May 15, from 8 am - 12 pm. Volunteers are asked to gather in the parking lot of RaFitness, 2568 Main Street, Hartford. Lunch will be provided for FREE to volunteers that register. To register as a volunteer, text "trash" to 860-778-5956 or 860-394-7636.

#### **Free West End Porch Concert this** Sunday, May 16

"Porch Music V Live," a free concert hosted by artist, musician and longtime Hartford resident Carlos Hernandez Chavez will be held on Sunday, May 16, from 12-5 pm at 76 Oxford Street in Hartford's West End. Carlos will be joined throughout the afternoon by some of the area's most talented musicians. Bring a chair, a blanket, some eats and especially, friends! Social distancing will be in place and face masks should be worn. The event is free. It will be canceled in case of heavy rain.

#### **KNOX Greenhouse Volunteers Needed!**

KNOX, Inc. needs volunteers to help prepare the planters it will soon be installing throughout the city. The work will be done at the KNOX greenhouses, 75 Laurel Street on Thursday, May 13, 12 - 3 pm, Friday May 14, 12 - 3 pm and Saturday, May 15, 9am - 1pm. To register or for more details, please contact Jayson Hughes, jaysonh@knoxhartford.org.

#### **Tour of Hartford Art & Monuments** Sunday

CT Landmarks will host a tour of some of Hartford's most significant sculpture and monuments from 11 am - 12:30 pm on Sunday, May 16. The tour will start from the Amos Bull House parking lot, 59 South Prospect Street, Hartford. Stops will include the Butler-McCook House, City Hall, the Wadsworth Atheneum, the State Capitol, and Bushnell Park. The event will be cancelled in case of heavy rain. Suggested donation. Registration required at https://ctl-art-andmonuments-walk.eventbrite.com.

#### **Discussion of** "America's Main Street" May 19

Aaron Marcavitch, Connecticut Landmarks Executive Director will present a lecture on "US Route 1: America's Main Street" at the Butler-McCook House & Garden, 396 Main Street, Downtown Hartford, from 12 - 1 pm on Wednesday, May 19. Running down the East Coast all the way from Fort Kent, Maine to Key West, Florida, Route 1 is considered one of America's most interesting and significant roadways. Suggested donation of \$5 per person. Registration required at https://mccook-lunch-andlearn.eventbrite.com. Day-of event registration will be allowed only if the site has not reached capacity.

#### **Hartford NEXT Meets May 20**

The public is invited to attend the next Hartford NEXT Board of Director's virtual meeting on Thursday, May 20, at 6 p.m. Presentations will be given by Home Comfort Practice (energy audits), Hartford Healthy Hub, and CTDOT on upcoming public hearings on proposed Bus and Rail Service and Fare Changes. To receive sign in information to attend either by computer or by telephone, please hnxt@hartfordnext.org.

#### Charter **Commission Public Hearing May 20**

The City of Hartford Charter Revision Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday. May 20, at 7 pm. The event can be viewed on hpatv.org.

#### **Colt Park Clean-up May 22**

Colt Park Volunteer Day will be held Saturday, May 22, from 9 -11 am. Volunteers are asked to meet at the veranda in the middle of the park. In addition to a cleanup, the group will be painting over the graffiti on the DPW wall and giving the existing picnic benches a coat of paint. Please come in old clothes and maintain the Covid socially distancing of six feet. The Friends of Colt Park will provide coffee, donuts, gloves,

pickers, trash bags, paint, rollers, and brushes to get the job done. Email swarrds@comcast.net to register.

#### **Free Admission to Wadsworth Through** June 30

Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, 600 Main Street, Downtown Hartford, is extending its current free admission period through June. Spring free from winter hibernations and come visit the Wadsworth. Reserve free tickets online in advance via thewadsworth.org. Walk-up visitors may be accommodated based on availability.

#### **Student Internship** at Coltsville

Coltsville National Historical Park is now offering a Student Conservation Association Internship. The intern will assist the Coltsville team with community outreach, digital media, interpretation, events, and building awareness of the new park. One of the tasks includes driving a NPS van. For more information, go to https://www.nps.gov/ colt/getinvolved/sca-recruitment.htm.

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# El Informativo Latino

#### Lamont lanzó "Diga sí a Connecticut" para atraer a más visitantes este verano

El gobernador Ned Lamont anunció esta semana que la Oficina de Turismo de Connecticut está lanzando una nueva campaña de marketing de verano para promover viajes seguros e impulsar la recuperación de la industria turística de Connecticut luego del impacto de la pandemia de COVID-19.

Después de un año de decir "no" a tantas cosas debido a la pandemia, el estado de Connecticut está animando a los residentes y visitantes a "decir sí" a Connecticut y todas sus experiencias únicas este verano.

El tema de la campaña, "Diga sí a Connecticut", nació de la investigación patentada de la Oficina de Turismo que muestra una creciente sensación de optimismo entre los consumidores del noreste en medio del lanzamiento de la vacuna COVID-19 y la demanda acumulada de viajes, especialmente viajes regionales.

El Gobernador Lamont dijo, que "Connecticut tiene una increíble combinación de ofertas turísticas, desde lugares artísticos y culturales y restaurantes hasta propiedades de alojamiento y áreas de recreación al aire libre, todo lo cual ayuda a generar ventas comerciales, ingre-

sos fiscales y empleos en todo el estado que benefician a nuestras comunidades", dijo.

Desde el 1 de mayo hasta el 6 de septiembre, la campaña contará con cientos de negocios y actividades en todo el estado que conforman el sector de la industria turística de Connecticut, incluidos hoteles, posadas y B & B, restaurantes, atracciones, museos, sitios históricos, lugares de arte y cultura, granjas, bodegas y cervecerías, parques estatales y playas, centros naturales, recreación al aire libre, destinos de compras, eventos y más. Se seguirá requiriendo el uso de mascarillas en interiores.

El lanzamiento de la campaña coincidió con la Semana Nacional de Viajes y Turismo de la Asociación de Viajes de EE. UU. (Del 2 al 8 de mayo), que celebra el valor que los viajes tienen para la economía, las empresas y el bienestar personal de los EE. UU.

Para participar en la campaña "Diga sí a Connecticut", use #SayYesCT en las redes sociales. Para obtener información sobre las numerosas atracciones Connecticut tiene para ofrecer, visite www.CTvisit.com.



Freddy Ayala y su trío los tropicales estuvieron celebrando un bonito día de las madres, en La fonda Restaurant, 269 Franklin Ave, Hartford. Saludamos a todos los presente que se dieron cita . By Iris Rodriguez

# Según el DPH las vacunas COVID-19 son altamente efectivas para combatir el virus

Memos del 0.1% de las personas completamente vacunadas de Connecticut han contraído el virus de COVID19

El Departamento de Salud Pública de Connecticut, DPH (por sus siglas en inglés) publicó datos sobre los avances de los casos de COVID-19 en el estado, destacando la efectividad de la vacuna contra el virus.

A medida que Connecticut supera la marca del 50% para los residentes de 16 años o más que ahora están completamente vacunados, el DPH publicó datos sobre casos innovadores de vacunas, que muestran claramente que las vacunas COVID-19 son altamente efectivas para combatir el virus.

Los llamados "casos de avance de vacunas" ocurren cuando una persona que ha completado su serie de vacunas se infecta con el virus. Los datos muestran que los casos de COVID-19 en personas completamente vacunadas son raros, con menos del 0.1% de las personas completamente vacunadas de Connecticut que han contraído el

De las 1,467,189 personas en Connecticut que completaron su serie de vacunas, se ha confirmado

que 242 contrajeron el COVID-19. De ellos, 109 (45%) no tenían síntomas de la enfermedad. Se han producido tres muertes entre los 242 casos innovadores de vacunas. Se confirmó que las tres personas tenían afecciones médicas subyacentes y estaban en los grupos de edad de 55 a 64 (1), 65 a 74 (1) y 75+ (1). A nivel nacional, los CDC han informado un total de 132 muertes por avances en la vacuna.

"La conclusión principal es que las vacunas COVID-19 son altamente efectivas y los casos de infección después de que una persona está completamente vacunada son muy raros", dijo la Dra. Deidre Gifford, comisionada interina de Salud Pública de Connecticut . "La mejor protección contra enfermedades graves, hospitalización y muerte por COVID-19 es la vacunación, y exhorto encarecidamente a todos los residentes de Connecticut elegibles que aún no se han vacunado a que lo hagan". Además del número total de casos de avance, el Departamento de Salud Pública también anunció que

de los 242 casos de avance: 159 casos (65,7%) correspondieron a mujeres; 58 casos (24%) ocurrieron entre personas que vivían en entornos congregados (es decir, hogares de ancianos, instalaciones de vida asistida); y 32 casos (13,2%) han sido hospitalizados.

"La vacuna es nuestra herramienta más poderosa contra COVID-19, pero estos raros casos de infección después de la vacunación son un recordatorio de que ninguna vacuna es 100% efectiva", dijo el comisionado interino Gifford. "Mientras sigamos viendo casos de COVID en Connecticut, es importante continuar con el uso de las otras herramientas a nuestra disposición: el uso del tapabocas o mascarillas en el interior y en grandes multitudes al aire libre, lavado de manos, distanciamiento social y limitación del tamaño de reuniones, sobre todo si es desconocido si las personas se han vacunado o no".

Para obtener la información más actualizada del estado Connecticut sobre COVID-19, se pueden visitar ct.gov/coronavirus . Los residentes también pueden suscribirse a las alertas de mensajes de texto del estado enviando un mensaje de texto con la palabra clave COVIDCT al 888-777. Si Las personas que tengan preguntas generales que no se respondan en el sitio web pueden llamar al 2-1-1 para obtener ayuda. La línea directa está disponible las 24 horas del día y cuenta con asistencia multilingüe marcando 1-800-203-1234.

By Iris Rodriguez



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